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Docket No. GC372

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Timothy Fowler et al.) Group Art Unit: 1636
Serial No.: 08/876,132) Confirmation No. 4697
Filed: June 23, 1997) Examiner: Daniel M. Sullivan, Ph.D.

For: IMPROVED ENTEROBACTERIACEAE FERMENTATION STRAINS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed March 22, 2004 and the Office communication dated September 7, 2004, which indicated that the amendment filed on June 14, 2004 did not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121(c) because the status of the identifiers was improper.

A time period of one (1) month from the mailing date of the September 7, 2004 notice was given in which to submit an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. This response is considered timely and is being filed concurrently with a petition for a one (1) month extension of time, until November 7, 2004.

Please consider and enter the present amendment and remarks.

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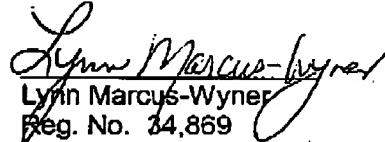
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Sir:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048 (Docket No. GC372). A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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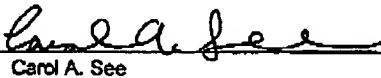
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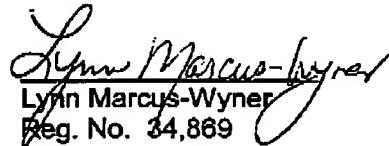
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